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TP: Rs 2,535 | A 19%

SUPREME INDUSTRIES

Plastic Products

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### Disappointing quarter; structural story intact

- Q3 revenue grew 5.5% YoY led by high realisations (+31%) though volumes declined 18%
- EBITDA margin contracted 545bps YoY to 16.3% as RM-to-sales cost surged 500bps
- We maintain our TP to Rs 2,535 based on 29x FY24E EPS; upgrade from HOLD to BUY given the recent 20% price correction

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High realisations but volume decline resulted in weak quarter: SI reported muted Q3FY22 revenue growth of 5.5% YoY to Rs 19.5bn led by a steep fall in the sale of plastic pipe systems, furniture and packaging products. During the quarter, blended realisations increased by 31% YoY to Rs 210/kg. Overall volumes fell 18% YoY and 11% QoQ to 91,363mt driven by lower offtake in the agriculture and housing segments, channel destocking at the dealer level and supply chain disruptions. Segment-wise, volume/value growth was as follows in plastic pipes -26%/+1% YoY, packaging products +6%/+26%, industrial products -1%/+16%, and consumer products -19%/+9%.

**EBITDA margin contracts 545bps:** Gross margin declined 500bps YoY to 32% owing to high volatility in raw material prices. The company's product price hikes have gone into effect with a time lag (Jan'22). EBITDA margin dropped 545bps YoY to 16.3% and was flattish QoQ.

**Expansion plans delayed:** SI maintained its capex guidance of Rs 5.2bn (of which Rs 3.4bn has been invested), which it believes can add Rs 9bn to the topline. As per plan, plastic product capacity is slated to increase from ~7kt to ~7.5kt, with major capacity additions coming onstream in piping and industrial products. The upcoming plants at Guwahati, Cuttack and Erode are progressing smoothly and are scheduled to become operational between April to August. Capex has been delayed to some extent due to supply chain disruptions.

**Growth outlook steady; upgrade to BUY on recent correction:** We remain positive on SI's growth and margin prospects supported by incremental capacity as well as improving housing demand, benefits from government schemes such as 'Nal Se Jai', infrastructure development, its net debt-free balance sheet and healthy return ratios. The stock has corrected 21% from its 52-week high (19 Jan 2022) and is trading at a P/E of 24.4x on FY24E, which is a ~29% discount to its five-year median of 34.2x. We value SI at 29x on FY24E and arrive at a TP of Rs 2,535 – upgrade to BUY from HOLD on attractive valuations.

### Key changes

	Target	Rating	
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Ticker/Pric	•	SI IN/Rs 2.130	
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Market cap	)	US\$ 3.6bn	
Free float		51%	
3M ADV		US\$ 3.3mn	
52wk high	/low	Rs 2,694/Rs 1,720	

49%/16%/35%

Source: NSE | Price as of 24 Jan 2022

### **Key financials**

Promoter/FPI/DII

Y/E 31 Mar	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E
Total revenue (Rs mn)	63,496	78,647	84,963
EBITDA (Rs mn)	12,786	13,504	14,575
Adj. net profit (Rs mn)	9,592	9,490	10,252
Adj. EPS (Rs)	75.5	74.7	80.7
Consensus EPS (Rs)	75.5	72.5	76.8
Adj. ROAE (%)	35.3	28.0	26.7
Adj. P/E (x)	28.2	28.5	26.4
EV/EBITDA (x)	21.0	20.0	18.7
Adj. EPS growth (%)	97.1	(1.1)	8.0

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BOBCAPS Research

### Stock performance



Source: NSE





## Earnings call highlights

- Volumes: SI posted a steep decline in the sale of plastic pipe systems, furniture and packaging products in Q3FY22, driving down overall volumes by 18% YoY. The material handling division, however, delivered 17% volume growth. The company continues to add new products and deepen its market reach in this division. Its furniture volumes declined 18% YoY as demand was weak. Industrial component business volumes fell 3.5% due to the chip shortage while protective packaging fell 10%.
- Channel destocking: PVC prices dropped by Rs 25/kg or 15% during the quarter, causing many distributors to witness large-scale destocking, which in turn affected demand for Sl's products. As PVC prices have stabilised and are on the path to recovery, the distribution channel has started working normally. Management expects volume growth and loss of business due to the pandemic to be recouped in Q4.
- Composite cylinder business: The composite cylinder segment has received an encouraging response from Indian consumers. With an expected surge in demand from domestic sources and also from the international market, the company is ready to double capacity from the existing 500,000 cylinders p.a. at its existing plant in Gujarat within a span of 8-9 months.
- Value-added products: Revenue from value-added products declined 12% to Rs 6.7bn compared to Rs 7.6bn in the year-ago quarter. The share of these products in total revenue stood at 34% vs. 41% in Q3FY21 and 39% in Q2FY22.
- Inventory: During Q3, SI did not have any inventory gain or loss.
- Balance sheet and cash flows: Cash levels have reduced by Rs 4.3bn since Mar'21 as the significant increase in inventories stretched the company's working capital.



Fig 1 - Quarterly performance

(Rs mn)	Q3FY22	Q3FY21	YoY (%)	Q2FY22	QoQ (%)	9MFY22	9MFY21	YoY (%)
Total revenues	19,451	18,438	5.5	19,285	0.9	52,157	42,725	22.1
Total raw material consumed	13,224	11,610	13.9	13,207	0.1	35,093	27,641	27.0
% of sales	68.0	63.0	502bps	68.5	(50bps)	67.3	64.7	259bps
Employee expense	880	813	8.3	866	1.7	2,549	2,173	17.3
% of sales	4.5	4.4	12bps	4.5	4bps	4.9	5.1	(20bps)
Power & fuel expense	510	554	(7.9)	566	(9.9)	1520	1438	5.7
% of sales	2.6	3.0	(38bps)	2.9	(31bps)	2.9	3.4	(45bps)
Other expense	1,658	1,446	14.7	1,539	7.8	4,489	3,729	20.4
% of sales	8.5	7.8	68bps	8.0	55bps	8.6	8.7	(12bps)
EBITDA	3,179	4,016	(20.8)	3,108	2.3	8,507	7,745	9.8
EBITDA margin (%)	16.3	21.8	(544bps)	16.1	23bps	16.3	18.1	(182bps)
Depreciation	575	549	4.6	571	0.6	1,707	1,580	8.0
Other income	29	37	(20.1)	41	(28.1)	41	87	(52.8)
Interest cost	5	22	(79.0)	7	(32.4)	7	171	(96.0)
PBT	2,629	3,481	(24.5)	2,571	2.3	6,834	6,081	12.4
Taxes	678.2	886.4	(23.5)	674.7	0.5	1,782.5	1,559.8	14.3
Effective tax rate (%)	26	25	34bps	26	(45bps)	26	26	43bps
PAT	1,951	2,595	(24.8)	1,896	2.9	5,051	4,521	11.7
Share of profit of associate	507	528	(4.1)	391	29.5	1,348	757	78.2
RPAT	2,457	3,123	(21.3)	2,287	7.4	6,399	5,278	21.3
Source: Company RORCAPS Research								

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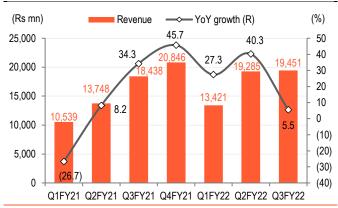
Fig 2 - Segmental performance

(Rs mn)	Q3FY22	Q3FY21	YoY (%)	Q2FY22	QoQ (%)	9MFY22	9MFY21	YoY (%)
Segment revenue								
Plastic Piping Products	11,479	11,402	0.7	12,673	(9.4)	32,463	27,520	18.0
Industrial Products	2,715	2,161	25.6	2,530	7.3	7,234	4,680	54.6
Packaging Products	3,697	3,179	16.3	2,773	33.3	8,911	7,253	22.9
Consumer Products	1,275	1,167	9.2	1,112	14.7	2,871	2,302	24.7
Others	285	528	(46.1)	199	43.4	679	969	(30.0)
Net Revenue from Operations	19,451	18,438	5.5	19,285	0.9	52,157	42,725	22.1
EBIT								
Plastic Piping Products	1,894	2,503	(24.3)	1,940	(2.4)	5,250	4,643	13.1
Industrial Products	224	201	11.8	192	16.7	538	244	120.2
Packaging Products	246	399	(38.3)	255	(3.5)	672	838	(19.8)
Consumer Products	215	228	(6.0)	175	22.6	396	310	27.6
Others	58	139	(58.1)	22	171.2	74	238	(68.9)
Total Segment EBIT	2,637	3,469	(24.0)	2,584	2.1	6,930	6,274	10.5
EBIT margin (%)								
Plastic Piping Products	16.5	21.9	(545bps)	15.3	119bps	16.2	16.9	(70bps)
Industrial Products	8.3	9.3	(102bps)	7.6	66bps	7.4	5.2	222bps
Packaging Products	6.7	12.5	(589bps)	9.2	(254bps)	7.5	11.6	(401bps)
Consumer Products	16.8	19.6	(273bps)	15.7	109bps	13.8	13.5	31bps

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

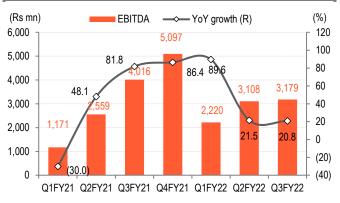


Fig 3 - Consolidated revenue growth



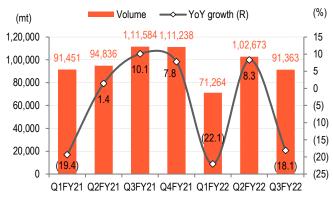
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Fig 5 - Consolidated EBITDA growth



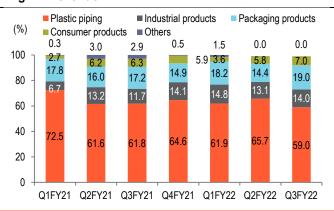
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 7 - Volume growth



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 4 - Revenue mix



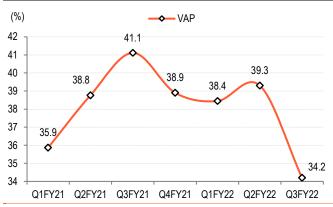
Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 6 - Consolidated EBITDA margin



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 8 - Revenue share of value-added products



Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 9 - Segmental volume growth

(mt)	Q3FY22	Q3FY21	YoY (%)	Q2FY22	QoQ (%)
Plastic Piping	57,197	76,759	(25.5)	72,480	(21.1)
Packaging Products	12,365	11,652	6.1	12,905	(4.2)
Industrial Products	16,594	16,785	(1.1)	12,390	33.9
Consumer Products	5,207	6,388	(18.5)	4,898	6.3
Total	91,363	1,11,584	(18.1)	1,02,673	(11.0)

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research



# Valuation methodology

We remain positive on SI's growth and margin prospects supported by incremental capacity as well as improving housing demand, benefits from government schemes such as 'Nal Se Jal', infrastructure development, its net debt-free balance sheet and healthy return ratios. The stock has corrected 21% from its 52-week high (19 Jan 2022) and is trading at a P/E of 24.4x on FY24E, which is a ~29% discount to its five-year median of 34.2x. We value SI at 29x on FY24E EPS and arrive at a TP of Rs 2,535 – upgrade to BUY from HOLD on attractive valuations.

Fig 10 - Key assumptions

Parameter	FY21	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Volume (mt)				
Plastic Piping	2,94,357	3,06,131	3,27,560	3,50,490
YoY (%)	(2.1)	4.0	7.0	7.0
Packaging Products	54,833	60,316	66,348	72,983
YoY (%)	6.8	10.0	10.0	10.0
Industrial Products	41,451	45,596	50,156	55,171
YoY (%)	7.3	10.0	10.0	10.0
Consumer Products	18,468	20,684	23,166	25,946
YoY (%)	(11.1)	12.0	12.0	12.0
Total	4,09,109	4,32,728	4,67,230	5,04,590
YoY (%)	(0.6)	5.8	8.0	8.0
EBITDA (Rs/kg)	30.3	31.2	31.2	31.2
YoY (%)	49.0	3.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research

Fig 11 - Peer comparison

Company	Ticker	Rating	Target Price	Revenue CAGR	EPS (	Rs)	ROE (	%)	Target
Company	licker	Kaung	(Rs)	FY21-23E (%)	FY22E	FY23E	FY22E	FY23E	P/E (x)
Kajaria Ceramics	KJC IN	BUY	1,460	21.5	22.8	29.6	18.9	23.3	40
Somany Ceramics	SOMC IN	BUY	1,140	19.0	20.5	32.8	12.5	17.3	25
Greenply Ind	MTLM IN	BUY	260	18.0	7.7	10.2	19.7	21.4	22
Century Plyboard	CPBI IN	HOLD	735	23.8	13.6	16.7	22.1	22.1	35
Greenpanel Ind	GREENP	BUY	595	34.0	16.0	21.7	23.7	25.1	23
Cera Sanitaryware	CRS IN	BUY	5,590	17.1	109.8	134.9	15.4	16.9	35
Astral	ASTRA IN	HOLD	2,465	22.3	22.5	29.5	22.5	26.0	65
Finolex Ind	FNXP IN	HOLD	220	7.7	10.2	9.4	19.0	15.9	22
Supreme Ind	SI IN	BUY	2,535	15.7	74.7	80.7	28.0	26.7	30

Source: BOBCAPS Research

## **Key risks**

Key downside risks to our estimates are:

- slowdown in demand,
- adverse commodity price fluctuation, and
- delay in capacity expansion.



## **Financials**

Income Statement Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Total revenue	55,087	63,496	78,647	84,963	91,814
EBITDA	8,563	12,786	13,504	14,575	15,735
Depreciation	(2,057)	(2,128)	(2,406)	(2,727)	(3,024)
EBIT	6,506	10,658	11,098	11,848	12,711
Net interest inc./(exp.)	(297)	(221)	(102)	(90)	(75)
Other inc./(exp.)	84	37	191	248	298
Exceptional items	(192)	189	0	0	290
EBT	6,293	10,473	11,187	12,006	12,933
Income taxes	(1,739)	(2,341)	(3,197)	(3,454)	(3,738)
Extraordinary items	0	0	0	0	4.000
Min. int./Inc. from assoc.	312	1,460	1,500	1,700	1,900
Reported net profit	4,674	9,781	9,490	10,252	11,095
Adjustments	192	(189)	0	0	0
Adjusted net profit	4,866	9,592	9,490	10,252	11,095
Balance Sheet					
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Accounts payables	5,475	6,462	7,541	8,147	8,804
Other current liabilities	2,347	3,377	3,017	3,259	3,522
Provisions	313	364	551	595	643
Debt funds	4,113	10	500	400	350
Other liabilities	947	919	919	919	919
Equity capital	254	254	254	254	254
Reserves & surplus	22,358	31,438	35,761	40,431	45,485
Shareholders' fund	22,612	31,692	36,015	40,685	45,739
Total liab. and equities	35,807	42,823	48,543	54,005	59,976
Cash and cash eq.	1,614	1,039	2,857	4,207	5,332
Accounts receivables	3,128	3,898	4,956	5,354	5,786
Inventories	8,906	7,608	11,204	12,104	13,080
Other current assets	2,379	2,614	3,017	3,259	3,522
Investments	2,773	10,011	6,011	6,811	8,511
Net fixed assets	15,917	17,033	19,878	21,650	23,126
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Intangible assets	160	112		112	112
Deferred tax assets, net	0	0	0	0	0
Other assets	0	0	0	0	50.070
Total assets	35,807	42,823	48,543	54,005	59,976
Cash Flows					
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Cash flow from operations	6,038	14,491	7,847	12,422	13,492
Capital expenditures	(2,953)	(2,774)	(5,250)	(4,500)	(4,500)
Change in investments	(550)	(7,238)	4,000	(800)	(1,700)
Other investing cash flows	(211)	0	0	0	0
Cash flow from investing	(3,714)	(10,012)	(1,250)	(5,300)	(6,200)
Equities issued/Others	0	0	0	0	0
Debt raised/repaid	2,500	(4,103)	490	(100)	(50)
Interest expenses	(297)	(221)	(102)	(90)	(75)
Dividends paid	(3,522)	(635)	(5,167)	(5,582)	(6,041)
Other financing cash flows	235	(94)	0	0	(,,,,,,,,
Cash flow from financing	(1,084)	(5,053)	(4,779)	(5,772)	(6,166)
Chg in cash & cash eq.	1,240	(575)	1,819	1,349	1,125
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Per Share					
Y/E 31 Mar (Rs)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Reported EPS	36.8	77.0	74.7	80.7	87.3
Adjusted EPS	38.3	75.5	74.7	80.7	87.3
Dividend per share	14.0	14.0	33.6	36.3	39.3
Book value per share	178.0	249.5	283.5	320.3	360.1
Valuations Ratios					
Y/E 31 Mar (x)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
EV/Sales	4.9	4.2	3.4	3.2	3.0
EV/EBITDA	31.4	21.0	20.0	18.7	17.4
Adjusted P/E	55.6	28.2	28.5	26.4	24.4
P/BV	12.0	8.5	7.5	6.7	5.9
DuPont Analysis					
Y/E 31 Mar (%)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Tax burden (Net profit/PBT)	79.8	90.0	84.8	85.4	85.8
Interest burden (PBT/EBIT)	93.8	100.0	100.8	101.3	101.8
EBIT margin (EBIT/Revenue)	11.8	16.8	14.1	13.9	13.8
Asset turnover (Rev./Avg TA)	162.6	161.5	172.2	165.7	161.
Leverage (Avg TA/Avg Equity)	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3
Adjusted ROAE	22.0	35.3	28.0	26.7	25.7
Ratio Analysis					
Y/E 31 Mar	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
YoY growth (%)					
Revenue	(1.8)	15.3	23.9	8.0	8.
EBITDA	9.6	49.3	5.6	7.9	8.0
Adjusted EPS	32.1	97.1	(1.1)	8.0	8.2
Profitability & Return ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	15.5	20.1	17.2	17.2	17.1
EBIT margin	11.8	16.8	14.1	13.9	13.8
Adjusted profit margin	8.8	15.1	12.1	12.1	12.
Adjusted ROAE	22.0	35.3	28.0	26.7	25.7
ROCE	18.7	28.5	23.2	21.8	20.7
Working capital days (days)					
Receivables	23	20	21	22	22
Inventory	84	75	66	75	7
Payables	43	43	39	41	4
Ratios (x)					
Gross asset turnover	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.0
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Source: Company, BOBCAPS Research | Note: TA = Total Assets

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Current ratio

Net interest coverage ratio

Adjusted debt/equity



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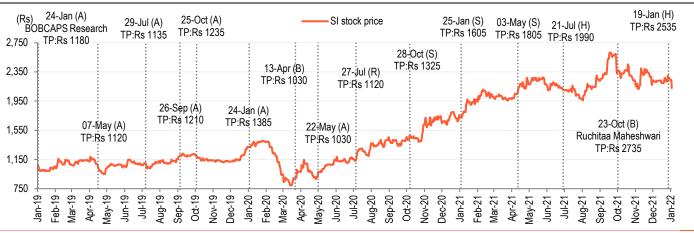
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SELL - Expected return <-6%

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